

## CATTLEMEN TO FIGHT.

The Texas Cattle Raisers' Association is preparing to wage lively battle in Washington for the passage of three laws, much needed to promote the cattle industry. The first is a measure requiring railroads to supply sufficient cars to enable stockmen to get their cattle to market. The second is a reciprocal demurrage bill. Under the present law, if the railroad furnishes cars and the cattleman does not load them promptly, he must pay demurrage to the railroad. The proposed reciprocal law proposes to make the railroads pay demurrage if they fail to furnish the cars on the day agreed upon, or after due notice and demand. The third is a law favored by the President, regulating the lease of government lands to cattlemen. The Texas stock men are a unit in supporting the President in this law.

These proposed laws have been endorsed by the National Live Stock Association, and by lesser state and section associations, and are supported by most of the cattlemen of the West. Texas stockmen are taking the initiative because this state produces one-sixth of the cattle of the United States. The value of live-stock interests of Texas in 1904, according to official figures was \$98,099,436, and amounts now to more than a hundred million dollars. The protection of an industry of this magnitude is a matter of prime importance to this state. It is estimated that two-thirds of the cattle business is centered in Texas and the Western states. It is certain that this immense industry will uphold Ike T. Pryor, President of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, and Sam H. Vowan, the counsel, in the fight they will make in congress this winter.

## THE MISSION OIL FIELD.

San Antonio, Texas. Another oil well has been brought in in the San Antonio Oil Field, ten miles south of this city. It is known as Mission No. 4, and yields from 150 to 200 barrels a day. This is the fourth paying oil well brought in in this field, three of them having been struck in the last three weeks. Oil men from Oklahoma, Kansas, Indiana, and Pennsylvania are in this city and a number of new rigs are going up. Josey Hamill experienced drillers from eastern fields, are putting down three wells a mile and a half from the line of the other wells with excellent showing of oil. They expect to bring in wells at any day. Many of the wells are making a big showing of natural gas, and capitalists are figuring on a pipe line for oil and natural gas to this city.

## THEY MAY ORGANIZE.

Texas sheep and goat men are actively organizing to resist any reduction in the tariff on wool and mohair by the present congress. Although there is a Texas Sheep and goat raisers' Association, the breeders of Southwest Texas met a few days ago at Del Rio and made an auxiliary organization to be known as the Southwest Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. This section is the natural home of the sheep and goat, and the flocks here number over three fourths of those of the state. It is thought that this auxiliary association will get more prompt and decisive action in the pending fight, and the sheep and goat men are thoroughly aroused to a determination to protect their industry from the disastrous results that followed the removal of the wool tariff in President Cleveland's administration.

## NEILL ISSUES ADDRESS.

Tells Farmers That the Cotton Outlook Is Encouraging. Special to The Chronicle. Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 10.—President D. J. Neill, of the Texas Farmers Union has issued the following address to the members: To the Membership of Texas: The ginners' report up to December 1 shows 8,338,000 bales ginned, against 10,037,868 ginned last year. This report shows a very short cotton crop as compared with preceding crops. This crop will hardly pass the 10,000,000

mark.

The demand for spot cotton is greater and growing daily. Soon there will be cotton death in some parts of the world. The American spinners, with France, Germany and Austria, have bought very little cotton. England alone has bought cotton, evincing a foresight that places them ahead of the balance of the world. These people must have American cotton. The crop is very short in all the cotton growing countries. Fellow farmers, now is the time to hold the remnant of the cotton remaining in your hands, and soon you are to meet your minimum of 15 cents. Cotton is steadily advancing every day and certainly the farmers can hold out a while longer.

The financial situation is clearing up. The banks and merchants are more easily pacified. The sentiment of every one now is that we must win. Take courage and stand to your guns; stand by your cotton until 15 cents is obtained.

Every report is favorable to us. Time has justified your wisdom in fixing the price. Times has proved that you were right in your estimate of the crop. You have carried the fight through one of the worst panics the world ever saw, and now victory is yours.

D. J. Neill, President.

Meetings of the Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of America were scheduled to be held today for the purpose of acting on a recommendation submitted by hundreds of locals in meeting last Saturday tending toward a reduction of the cotton acreage of the South next year. Delegates will be elected from every county union in the big national organization to go to Memphis to attend the meeting there. This convention will be the largest ever held.

## BRUTE.

"I shall never speak to you again," declared Mrs. Jawback, reduced to tears at the end of the argument.

"Just like a woman," scoffed Mr. Jawback, brutally. "If you can't get your way in any other way you resort to bribery."—Washington Herald.

A CHRISTMAS FAIRY TALE. I know the tale I tell will seem "The baseless fabric of a dream"; I tell of one who, Christmas-time, Displayed a spirit so sublime, With unfeigned gratitude she took Three pin-balls, and a needle-book; Four dollies, and a hairpin case, And two small trays received with grace.

She recognized, without a tear, The crocheted doily sent last year To a dear, absent-minded friend, Who back again the gift did send. Without a frown, this angel took Two copies of the self-same book; Accepted, with a happy face, Three hat-pin bottles, trimmed with lace;

She has no scornful thought or h...d For a much-traveled Christmas card;

And, greatest miracle of all, As she received her last pin-ball Not even in her heart did say, "They will be good to give away." —Harper's Bazar.

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